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In re: Application of: Ronald B. MILLER, et al.
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**AMENDEMENT and STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following response:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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